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STATEMENT

OF THE  
ST. LOUIS MUTUAL LIFE  
INSURANCE COMPANY,  
On the 1st day of May, 1864, made to the Auditor of the State of Kentucky, in compliance with an act, entitled "An act to regulate Agencies of Foreign Insurance Companies," approved 3d March, 1865.

The name of this Company is the "ST. LOUIS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY," and is located in the city of St. Louis, County of St. Louis, State of Missouri.

Second. The amount of capital stock  
is ..... \$100,000.00  
The amount of capital stock paid up  
is ..... 60,000.00

ASSETS.

Third. Cash on hand, principally on deposit in banks incorporated by the State of Missouri, located in the city of St. Louis, (part in the safe of the Company) ..... \$ 50,327.42

Loans secured by deed of trust, first lien of record, on real estate in the city of St. Louis, worth double the amount of loan, per schedule annexed ..... 42,500.00

Short time loans in city of St. Louis, on undoubt personal security, eight per cent. interest ..... 6,229.66

Stock bonds secured in part by real estate, part by personal security, subject to call of Board of Directors on 60 days notice ..... 40,000.00

Loans on policies in force, bearing six per cent. interest ..... 110,001.98

Premium and other notes, bearing six per cent. interest ..... 21,151.12

Amounts due from agents and in course of transmission from them, and for policies recently issued and not yet paid ..... 9,685.64

Notes for deferred premiums due within 60 days, bearing ten per cent. interest ..... 530.74

Office furniture, iron safe, &c. ..... 949.45

Ravens stamps ..... 45.95

Total ..... \$ 281,471.98

LIABILITIES.

1st. Due and not due to Banks, and other creditors ..... none.

2d. Losses adjusted and not due ..... none.

3d. " " " due ..... none.

4th. Losses unadjusted ..... none.

5th. Losses in suspense, waiting further proof—1 policy, \$4,000, I policy \$3,000\* ..... 7,000

6th. All other claims against the Company—no other claims or liabilities except the liabilities on policies in force as follows, viz: 650 policies in force insuring in the aggregate ..... 2,152,800.00

\*Both resisted by the Company on the ground of violation of conditions of policies; that of \$4,000 on two counts, one being sworn, depon and say, and each for himself says, that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct statement of the affairs of the said Company—that the said Insurance Company is the bona fide owner of at least ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS of actual Cash Capital, in cash on hand and invested as above stated; and that the portion thereof invested in real estate security, is upon unincumbered property in the city of St. Louis, worth double the amount of said loans, and that the above described investments, not any part thereof, are made for the benefit of any individual exercising authority in the management of said Company, nor for any other person or persons whatever; and that they are the above described officers of said St. Louis Mutual Life Insurance Company.

SAMUEL WILLI, President.

W. T. SELBY, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for said city and county, of St. Louis, State of Missouri, this 16th day of May, 1864.

[L. S.] S. PERIT RAWLE, Notary Public.

STATE OF MISSOURI,

CITY AND COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS.

Samuel Willi, President, and William T. Selby, Secretary of the St. Louis Mutual Life Insurance Company, being severally sworn, depon and say, and each for himself says, that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct statement of the affairs of the said Company—that the said Insurance Company is the bona fide owner of at least ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS

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W. T. SELBY, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for said city and county, of St. Louis, State of Missouri, this 16th day of May, 1864.

[L. S.] S. PERIT RAWLE, Notary Public.

STATE OF MISSOURI,

CITY AND COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS.

I, the undersigned, Recorder of Deeds, in and for the aforesaid county, do hereby certify that the said Perit Rawle, whose name is appended to the journal of the foregoing deposition, was, at the date thereof, a Notary Public in and for the city and county of St. Louis, duly authorized to administer oaths for general purposes, and that I am well acquainted with the hand writing of said S. Perit Rawle, and verily believe the signature to said deposition is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 16th day of May, 1864.

A. C. BERNDON, Recorder.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, KY.,

FRANKFORT, May 26, 1864.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original on file in this office.

In witness whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the 1st day and year above written.

ED. KEENON, Assistant Auditor.

[No. 58, Original.]

AUDITOR'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, May 26, 1864.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT ALBERT G. HODGES, as Agent of the St. Louis Mutual Life Insurance Company of St. Louis, Mo., at Frankfort, Franklin county, has filed in the office the statements and exhibits required by the provisions of an act, entitled "An act to regulate Agencies of Foreign Insurance Companies," approved March 3, 1865; and it having been shown to the satisfaction of the undersigned that said Company is possessed of an actual capital of at least one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, as required by said act, the said Albert G. Hodges, Agent as aforesaid, is hereby licensed and permitted to take risks and transact business of insurance at his office in Frankfort, for the term of one year from the date hereof. But this license may be revoked if it shall be made to appear to the undersigned that since the filing of the statements above referred to, the available capital of said Company has been reduced below one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

In testimony whereof, I have set my hand the day and year above written.

ED. KEENON, Assistant Auditor.

Risk taken and Policies issued promptly.

A. G. HODGES, Agent.

Frankfort Ky., June 3, 1864.—w—229.

MISCELLANY.

Annie Laurie.

This lovely song, admired the world over for the beautiful simplicity of its words, its easy, flowing, and expressive melody, has lately received an additional impetus to its popularity by the following incident said to have occurred in Maryland:

A small select company had assembled in a pleasant parlor, and were gaily chatting and laughing, when there tall young man entered, whose peculiar face and air instantly arrested attention. He was very pale, with that clear, vivid complexion which dark-haired consumptives so often have. His locks were as black as jet, and hung profusely upon a square white collar. His eyes were large and spiritual, and his brow such a one as a poet should have. But for a certain wandering look, a casual observer would have pronounced him a man of uncommon intellectual powers. The words "poor fellow," and how "sad he looks," went the rounds as he came forward, bowed to the company, and took his seat. One or two thoughtless girls laughed as they whispered that he was "love-cracked"—but the rest treated him with respectful deference.

It was late in the evening when singing was proposed, and to ask him to sing "Annie Laurie," was a task of uncommon delicacy. One song after another was sung; and at last one was named. At its mention the young man grew deadly pale but did not speak; he seemed to be instantly lost in reverie.

"The name of the girl who treated him so badly was Annie," said a lady, whispering to a new guest—"but oh! I wish he would sing it; nobody else can do it justice."

"No one dares sing Annie Laurie before you, Charles," said an elderly lady, "would it be too much to ask you to favor the company with it?" she added timidly.

He did not reply for a moment—his lips quivered a little, and then looking up as if he saw a spiritual presence he began. Every sound was hushed—it seemed as if his voice were the voice of an angel. The tones vibrated through nerve and pulse and heart, and made one shiver with the pathos of his feeling; never was heard melody in human voice like that—so plaintive, so soulful—so tender and earnest.

He sat with his head thrown back, his eyes half closed—the looks of his dark hair glistening against his pale temples, his hands lightly folded before him; and as he sung through the following stanzas he seemed to shake from head to foot with heart-rending emotion:

Maxwelton's banks are bonny,  
Where early falls the dew;  
And this is true that Annie Laurie  
Promises true—  
Gave me her promise true,  
And ne'er forgot will be,  
But for bonny Annie Laurie  
I'd lay me down and die.

Her brow is like the snow-drift,  
Her throat is like the swan,  
Her features are the fairest  
That e'er the sun shone on—  
That e'er the sun shone on,  
And dark blue is her e'e,  
And for bonny Annie Laurie  
I'd lay me down and die.

Like dew on the gowan lying  
Is this fa' o' fairy feet,  
I'll lie down in summer sighing  
Her voice is low and sweet—  
Her voice is low and sweet,  
And she's a' the world to me,  
And for bonny Annie Laurie  
I'd lay me down and die.

As he proceeded from line to line, and verse to verse, there was no more jesting among the company—all was hushed as by the silence of death. Many a lip trembled, and but few eyes were wet with the tears of spontaneous pity and compassion.

When finishing the last verse he made a slight pause, gazed with a searching, longing expression about the room, gasped forth—

And for bonny Annie Laurie  
I'd lay me down and die,

and slowly dropped his head backward over the chair. The black locks seemed to grow blacker, the white temples whiter, and the white lustrous eyes so slowly close with inexpressible and torturing anguish.

There was a long and solemn pause. One glanced at another—all seemed awe-struck till the lady who had urged him to sing laid her hand gently upon his shoulder, saying: "Charles! Charles!"

Then came a bush, a thrill of horror crept through every frame, the poor tried heart had ceased to beat.

Charles, the love betrayed, was dead.

A TOUCHING INCIDENT.—I went one night to see a comedy. The chief actor was a favorite one, and the house was very crowded. The curtain rose, and, amidst a burst of applause, the hero of the piece made his appearance. He had hardly uttered twenty words when it struck me something strange was the matter with him.

The play was a boisterous comedy of the old school, and required considerable spirit and vivacity in the actors to sustain it properly; but in this man there was none; he walked and talked like a person in a dream; his best points he passed over without appearing to perceive them; and, altogether, he was unfit for the part. His smile was ghastly, and his laugh hollow and unnatural; and frequently he would stop off suddenly in his speech, and let his eye wander vacantly over the audience.

Even when, in the character of a silly husband, he had to suffer himself to be kicked about the stage by a young rake of the comedy, and afterward to behold that tiresome individual making love to his wife and eating his supper, while he was shut up in a closet from whence he could not emerge, his contortions of ludicrous wrath, which had never before failed to call down plenty of applause, were now such dismal attempts to portray the passions, that hisses were audible in various parts of the theatre. The audience were fairly out of temper and several inquisitive individuals were particular in their inquiries as to the extent of the迫害 he had that day indulged in. A storm of sibilation and abuse now fell around the ears of the devoted actor, and, not content

with verbal insult, orange peel and apples flew upon the stage.

He stopped and turned to the shouting crowd. I never saw such misery in a human countenance. His face was worn and haggard, and tears rolled down his painted cheeks. I saw his lips quiver with mental agony, I saw his bosom heave with convulsions of suppressed emotion, and his whole mien betokened such depth of anguish and distress that the most relentless heart must have throbbed with pity.

The audience was moved, and, by degrees, the clamor of invective subsided into a solemn stillness while he stood near the footlights, a picture of dejection. When all was calm he spoke, and, in a voice broken with sobs, which seemed to rend his heart, he offered his explanation:

"Ladies and gentlemen," said he, "though in my acting to night I am confident of merit, my feelings to night are not good. I am not intoxicated. Emotion alone, and that of the most painful kind, has caused me to fill my allotted part so badly; my wife died but a few short hours ago, and I left her side to fulfil my unavoidable engagement here. If I have not pleased you, I implore you to forgive. I loved her, grieved for her, and, if anguish can excuse fault, I bear my apology here."

He placed his hand upon his heart, and a burst of tears relieved his momentary paroxysm of grief.

The audience were thoroughly affected, and an honest burst of sympathy made the wall tremble. Women wept loudly, and strong men silently, and, during the remainder of the evening, his performance was scarcely audible through the storm of applause by which the crowd sought to soothe the poor man's wounded feelings.

There was something very melancholy in the thought of that wretched man's coming from the bed of death to don the gay attire and utter studied witticisms for the amusement of a crowd, not one of whom dreamed of the anguish that festered under his painted cheek and stage smile. And, in the great theatre of life, how many are there around us, like that poor actor, smiling gayly at the multitude, while at home lies sorrow, whose shadow is ever present with him in busy places.

The Legend of Santa Claus.

This popular name of the Saint who presides over Christmas and the toy gifts of that welcome season, is derived from Saint Nicholas. The legend of his first appearance is an Italian one. According to this, a shoe maker named Giraldo, who lived in Ferrara, was so miserably poor, that his labor from day to day barely kept his family from starvation, and he was unable to give even a small dower to his pretty daughters. It was not thought proper to marry without a dowry; and thus the young girls, though each had an admirer, were compelled to remain single. Their father, however, went every morning to the shrine to pray to his patron saint, St. Nicholas, that he would work a miracle to relieve him from his distress.

One of his nearest neighbors, a rich merchant, who chanced one day to hear his simple petition, ridiculed the idea of his expecting the saint to take care of his daughters, and recommended him to choose a patron saint who would be able to do something for him. "Mine," he said, "is the Jew Buonajuto; he lends money at two per cent. a month; and if you know how to manage, you may make four with it. He is not so deaf as St. Nicholas."

The poor man was shocked at this impious speech, and assured the merchant that his religious faith could never be shaken. He went every day to church, notwithstanding the other's mockery.

It was now Christmas Day, when the merchant and the Jew settled up their yearly accounts. Buonajuto found he owed his friend three hundred ducats, and wishing to give him an agreeable surprise, he ordered one of the ducats he had carefully fattened, to be killed and roasted, and then with his own hands introduced the three hundred gold pieces into the inside, and sewed them up. He then sent the duck to the merchant as a Christmas present.

The merchant's wife, who shared the common prejudices against the Jews, declared she would not touch the duck, and the rich man resolved to sell it. When Giraldo passed on his way from church, his neighbor, as usual, bantered him on his devotion, showed him the Christmas gift his patron Saint had sent him, and taunted him with the solidity of Saint Nicholas, who could not even send him a piece of bread. Finally, he offered to sell the duck for a dollar, and to wait for payment, as he knew Giraldo to be strictly honest. The shoemaker carried the duck home and when he carved it for his Christmas dinner, and the three hundred ducats fell out, his first exclamation was—

"Praise to St. Nicholas!"

When he recovered from his surprise, he would have taken the money back but his wife persuaded him that, as he bought the duck, it was rightfully his own. He therefore divided the sum between the two suitors for his two eldest daughters.

The merchant, after some days, discovered his loss of the three hundred ducats, and went to the shoemaker to demand the money, which was refused. The cause came before the magistrate, who was a pious man, and heard with indignation how cruelly the poor man had been ridiculed about his religion. His sentence was that Giraldo should keep the money, and that the merchant and the Jew should besides pay a fine, for theirurious dealings, of one hundred and fifty ducats, to be given as a dowry for the shoemaker's youngest daughter.

The meaning of this legend is, that a benevolent Providence watches over and takes care of the poor, who are honest, religious and truthful. The tradition runs that since that time St. Nicholas pays a visit, every Christmas night, to all whom he

# THE COMMONWEALTH.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 1864.

## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

The Constitution requires of the "Chief Executive," that "he shall, from time to time, give to the General Assembly information of the state of the Commonwealth, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he may deem expedient."

The period since your adjournment has been crowded with so many important events, affecting materially our national interests, as well as those of the Commonwealth, that a communication touching some of those matters which have affected the state of the Commonwealth, is recognized as a requirement of the Constitution.

As a people, we have reason to be thankful to a just Providence for the series of almost unbroken successes which have crowned the arms of our Government in the struggle against rebellion.

Much as we may deplore the occasion of this rebellion, and the necessity which it imposes for the sacrifice of so much valuable life of our people, yet it is a source of gratulation to ourselves, and a cause of gratitude to HIM, that such uniform and great successes have been achieved by the armies of the Union. We, of Kentucky, have especial reason to rejoice at the results of Maj. Gen. Sherman's unparalleled successes—during the period of your recess—terminating in the capture of Savannah. History will give him rank with the first captains of any age. By his successes, up to the fall of Atlanta, the enemy, who so persistently threatened our security as a State, was driven far from us. And when he took his eagle flight across the State of Georgia, he left that grand old warrior, the invincible Maj. Gen. Geo. H. Thomas, to perfect the security which he had given. Most grandly has Maj. Gen. Thomas achieved our security by the destruction of the rebel army under Gen. Hood—a victory more complete and full of hopeful assurance than any which has crowned our arms during the war.

Words are inadequate to give expression to the flow of profound gratitude which the Kentucky heart yields to the invincible hero, Maj. Gen. Geo. H. Thomas, and his heroic command. By his glorious success, the red wave has been beaten back from our bosom, and the cause of the Union is high advanced. Our eastern border, we trust, has been secured by the successful and destructive raid of Maj. Gen. Stoneman, and his successors, against the forces of Maj. Gen. Breckinridge, which constantly menaced us from that direction. We, therefore, so far as invading armies have threatened, are at this time hopefully relieved from their menace.

The national aspect of these successes, great as they are, it is not my purpose to estimate in this communication, only to state their bearing upon "the state of the Commonwealth" is the purpose of notice in this special communication.

Soon after your adjournment, the public mind became much disturbed and disquieted by the enrollment of the negroes, preparatory for draft. Fearing some untimely outbreak, or unlawful resistance to the execution of the law, I issued a proclamation on the 16th day of March, to allay undue excitement and prevent unlawful acts.

To still further secure the peace, order, and quiet of Kentucky, and to obtain for our citizens a fair and just administration of the law, and secure them against the unlawful and offensive courses pursued by persons professing to act by authority, who were forcibly taking slaves, and recruiting for camps in Tennessee, as well as in Kentucky, and to have a stop put to an extensive recruiting brokerage for other States, I went in person to Washington to confer with the President and Secretary of War upon some plan by which these objects could be effected.

The State of Kentucky, being the frontier of loyalty, had been swept over by rebel armies and by our own armies; had been subjected to formidable rebel raids, and continued depredations by guerrillas. Our fields had been devastated by the sweep of armies, and homes desolated by rebel raids and guerrilla depredations, to such an extent that a large portion of our productive labor had been driven from the State, and the arm of industry was greatly paralyzed by the destruction which menaced its' labors, and the want of security in the enjoyment of its fruits.

The slave labor was therefore an important item to be secured against destruction, beyond what might be taken in a lawful way, and by proper means and agencies.

It was agreed that when any county filled its quota, in any way, no further recruiting of negroes should be permitted in such country—except in such cases as where the master and slave both concurred in the application for enlistment. When the draft was necessary to fill the quota, all, of course, subject to draft, had to take their chances of such involuntary service. It was agreed that all recruiting should be strictly limited to the regularly appointed officers for that service; and that those engaged without authority, or in the offensive and unlawful modes of sending out bodies of troops to gather up negroes by force and otherwise, and put them in camps, should be arrested and summarily punished. It was further agreed, that all negroes recruited by enlistment or draft should be removed to camps outside of the State, for organization and instruction. This was to prevent the entire demoralization and destruction of what should be left of that class of labor. These points being agreed, Brigadier General (since Brevet Major General) Burbridge, then in command of the Military District of Kentucky, was selected, and charged with carrying out these agreed points. I assured the President that the people of Kentucky were a law-abiding people, and, though opposed to the policy of placing the negro in the ranks of the soldier, yet, if the law were executed as agreed, I would pledge our people to a peaceful and loyal obedience to the law.

It was not contemplated by me that this was to save slavery in Kentucky, nor did any such idea occur to the President. It was not sought thereby either to perpetuate slavery, or to exterminate it; but solely with the view of protecting the interests of a loyal people, by securing them exemption from unlawful and offensive courses; from insults and unnecessary injuries; the State from the loss of its proper credits, and the country from the unnecessary destruction of a large amount of productive labor.

Having uniformly held and continuously announced the conviction, from the commencement of rebellion, that secession was the worst form of abolition; that it would

abolish slavery in blood, it never entered my mind that anything I might do to relieve my people from suffering on account of it, could either prevent or stay the hand of rebellion from working its destruction. The object of this arrangement was to benefit and protect the loyal white man, and prevent him being subjected to wanton and uncalculated injury and unprovoked insult and outrage by lawless acts, on account of the negro.

Had these arrangements been carried out, a very different state of feeling would have existed in Kentucky. But, instead of carrying them out, the most offensive and injurious modes were adopted to violate them, by him who was selected and charged with their fulfillment.

### MILITARY AFFAIRS IN KENTUCKY.

In giving you information in relation to the manner in which the military affairs have been conducted in Kentucky, it is an unpleasant duty to be constrained to say that wanton oppression of citizens, fraud, corruption, and imbecility, have too frequently characterized the military career of some officers in Kentucky during the time since your adjournment.

In Western Kentucky, Brigadier General E. A. Paine, confederated with other officers and some citizens, ran a career of shameful criminality. Though brief, it was terrible.

Hearing that wrongs were being perpetrated in that section, but that the citizens were afraid to speak out and make them known, I sent Lieut. Col. J. J. Craddock, of the "Capital Guards," to Paducah, to inquire into and report to me the facts. Upon getting his report, I preferred charges against General Paine and others to the President of the United States. By order of Lieutenant General Grant, General Paine was promptly relieved by General Meredith, whose soldierly bearing and just administration have given peace and confidence in that section.

A communication composed of Brig. Gen. S. S. Fry and Col. J. M. Brown, 43rd Kentucky Mounted Infantry, was appointed to investigate the conduct of Gen. Paine, &c. I send with this communication a copy of their report, with my letter to the President, and also letter of the 3d of September, touching other subjects.

The Commandant of the District of Kentucky established a system of trade permits in violation of law and to the detriment of the public interests.

The Secretary of the Treasury, under the law, had fixed regulations; the military, without law, and in violation of law, assumed to organize Boards of Trade, who, for certain fees, were to pass upon and determine who should buy and sell, not only in the ordinary course of trade, but for family supplies. As administered in Kentucky, it was a most shameful and corrupt system of partisan political corruption and oppression. This machinery of fraud and corrupt oppression is still retained, and the facts, showing its corrupt use, should be collected and presented, by authority of the Legislature of Kentucky, to the national authorities, in such form as to secure the abolition and future prohibition of all such interferences with the lawful and necessary trade of the country.

An attempt was also made, under the cover of these military trade regulations through the Commissary Department, to perpetrate a most extensive swindle upon the farmers of Kentucky in the purchase of their hog crop. Under the trade orders none could ship or drive to market without a permit; and all were prohibited from shipping across the Ohio river, thus closing the Cincinnati and other markets to our farmers. The buyers and packers at Louisville and elsewhere were warned off under threats of arrest and confiscation, &c. Agents, who were assigned to this wholesale swindle, were actively to work, notifying the farmers that the Government had determined to take their hogs, and had fixed the price which they must take—a price greatly below the market value. To have a stop put to this swindle, which was being carried on through the Commissary Department, under the patronage of the Commandant of the District of Kentucky, I sent a communication to the President, borne by reliable messengers, to explain the details of the matters of my letter.

The hog swindle was promptly ended, but not until the farmers had sustained losses to at least \$300,000; yet in time to save them the loss of over one million dollars. I suggest that it is due to the honest farmers of the State that you collate, or provide for so doing, the facts bearing upon this attempted and partially executed fraud, and present them all in connection with the "military trade regulations."

The greatest matter of military outrage has so harassed our people could have been effectively ended. The Inspector General will submit to you, through the proper committee, a plan which further experience and examination of the laws of other States suggests as the most effective and practical.

Until the raid of Morgan, in June last, demonstrated the insufficiency of the troops then in Kentucky for protection, no effort to raise the forces authorized by act approved February 20th, 1864, was made. After that raid, with the approval of the Federal authorities, three battalions were ordered to be raised for six months' service: one for Eastern Kentucky, one for Western Kentucky, and one for Capital Guards; each battalion to consist of not less than six nor more than eight companies. A portion of each has been raised, and they have done most efficient service.

Since the return and muster out of a number of our veteran soldiers, quite a number of companies have been authorized to be formed for self-protection, and for the better and more effective defense against guerrillas. It is believed that a sufficient number of these veterans will form companies to make up the number authorized by the law, and that they will give ample and sure protection in the future.

The raising of these forces was for a time suspended to avoid having a collision forced upon the State by the Commandant of the District of Kentucky. The orders and other documents relating to such interference will accompany this communication.

From the enrollment of the persons subject to military duty, under the acts of Congress, in Kentucky, a statement of which has been furnished to the Adjutant General by the A. A. P. M. General of Kentucky, I am enabled to present the following statistics:

*Statement showing the enrollment of persons liable to military duty in the State of Kentucky, by Districts.*

Congressional Dis. Whites. Negroes. Total.  
First District..... 12,259 1,997 14,156  
Second District.... 14,289 3,268 17,557  
Third District.... 11,451 3,256 14,707  
Fourth District.... 12,138 3,845 15,983  
Fifth District..... 12,299 1,997 14,156  
Sixth District.... 11,830 1,836 13,666  
Seventh District.... 12,129 4,839 15,968  
Eighth District.... 11,268 1,474 12,742  
Ninth District.... 11,841 1,494 13,335

Total..... 112,410 20,082 132,492

corpus, and regulating judicial proceedings in certain cases," the mode of proceeding, when non-combatants and others have been arrested, is fixed. This law, which was intended to limit the action of military commanders in the various localities, and give some assurance of ultimate justice to the citizen, has been wholly and utterly set at defiance by Brevet Maj. Gen. S. G. Burbridge, in the instances of Col. Wolford and Lieut. Gov. Jacob and others. Nay, further: the action in the case of Lieut. Gov. Jacob is in defiance of Federal and State Constitutions and laws; in defiance of the laws of humanity and liberty; dishonors the cause of our country, and degrades the military rank to the infamous uses of partisans and personal vengeance.

While I would have the officers and soldiers who battle for the Union, secured and protected in the full and complete exercise of every power and right which pertains to their position, and which, even remotely, may be required to aid in the great cause of our national defense; yet such miquities as have been wantonly and repeatedly inflicted upon the loyal citizens of Kentucky should be met by such legislation as will insure the just punishment of the offender and the ultimate redress of the wrong to the injured parties.

I recommend that the limitation to actions for malicious arrest and false imprisonment, when made upon other than civil process, be repealed or so modified as not to begin to run until one year after the rebellion shall be suppressed and the civil authority of the National Government shall be restored over the revolted districts.

I would further suggest the amendment of our penal code, so as to punish as a felony or high misdemeanor the offense of causing or procuring the arrest and imprisonment of loyal citizens not on civil process, without any reasonable or probable cause. The wanton and malicious deprivation of the liberty of loyal citizens, without any reasonable or probable cause, is a crime of so grave a nature, that no penalty less than felony and confinement in the penitentiary can adequately express the just sense of horror and indignation which a free people must feel toward such criminality.

It cannot be said that such laws would interfere with putting down rebellion; unless it can be shown that the arrest and imprisonment of loyal citizens, without any reasonable and probable cause, will aid in putting down the rebellion.

The honest and faithful officer will be protected by the law; only the faithless and corrupt will be reached by it. Officers, either civil or military, who cannot discharge the duties of their office without perverting its powers to malicious and unreasonable abuses, are ever a dead weight upon any service; and the law which seizes upon and punishes such, subserves the interests of society and the cause of humanity.

Accompanying this communication will be found telegrams, letters, &c., growing out of the arrests of Huston, Jacob, Wolford, &c.

On the night of the 24th day of November, 1864, a fire destroyed the machine and work-shops in the penitentiary. The loss of property to the keeper was heavy as well as to the State. The prison inspectors examined into the evidence and made report, a copy of which will be read before you, which exonerates the keeper and officers from all blame, and attaches the accident to the insufficiency and insecurity of the buildings.

The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund directed the keeper to have an architect to prepare plans, drawings, and estimates for such buildings as are needed and required to give the necessary utility and security in future. The plans and estimates have been submitted to the Board, and have been approved by them, and are recommended to the General Assembly for adoption.

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The experience of another year has fully demonstrated the utter impracticability of our militia system. With the most untiring efforts to get up an organization under the law, we have been able to accomplish so little, that the whole system must be regarded as a failure. I recommend that you adopt such amendments as will make it practical, and enable your officers to put it in operation; to repeal the entire law, and not let the people be longer deceived with the false idea that they have a militia system. With an effective militia law, under which the militia could be organized throughout the State, and such portions of them armed and called into service as exigencies might require, the predatory warfare which has so harassed our people could have been effectively ended. The Inspector General will submit to you, through the proper committee, a plan which further experience and examination of the laws of other States suggests as the most effective and practical.

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G. W. CRADDOCK,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
FRANKFORT, KY.

OFFICE on St. Clair Street, next door south  
of the Branch Bank of Kentucky.  
Will practice law in all the Courts held in the  
city of Frankfort, and in the Circuit Courts of the  
adjoining counties. [April 7, 1862-tf.]

WARNER,

DENTAL SURGEON.  
FRANKFORT, KY.

OFFICE at Lewis B. Crutchb's, opposite the  
Capitol of the State.  
Will be in Frankfort the second and third  
week of each month.  
May 13th, 1863-tf.

J. W. FINNELL.

V. T. CHAMBERS.

FINNELL & CHAMBERS,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

OFFICE—West Side Scott St. bet. Third & Fourth  
Street.

COVINGTON, KENTUCKY.

February 22, 1860-tf.

J. H. KINKEAD,  
ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW,  
GALLATIN, MO.

PRACTICES in the Circuit and other Courts of  
Davies, and the Circuit Courts of the ad-  
joining counties.  
Office up stairs in the Gallatin Sun Office.  
May 6, 1863-tf.

LYSANDER HORD,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
FRANKFORT, KY.

PRACTICES Law in the Court of Appeals,  
Federal Court, and Franklin Circuit Court.  
Any business confided to him shall be faithfully  
and promptly attended to. His office is on St.  
Clair street, near the Branch Bank of Kentucky,  
where he may generally be found.  
Frankfort, Jan. 12, 1863-tf.

JAMES SPEED.....WM. F. BARRET,

SPEED & BARRET,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
LOUISVILLE, KY.

HAVE associated with them SAMUEL B. SMITH,  
of the late firm of Bullitt & Smith, in the  
practice of the law, under the firm of SPEED,  
BARRET & SMITH, and will attend the Court of  
Appeals, Federal Court at Louisville, and all the  
Courts held in Louisville. [Jan. 17, '62-ly]

JAMES HARLAN, JR.

JOHN M. HARLAN.

HARLAN & HARLAN  
Attorneys at Law,  
FRANKFORT, KY.

WILL practice law in the Court of Appeals,  
Louisville, and Covington, and in the Circuit  
Court of Franklin, Woodford, Shelby, Henry,  
Anderson, Owen, Mercer, and Scott.

Special attention given to the collection of  
claims. They will, in all cases where it is desir-  
ed, attend to the unsettled law business of James  
Harlan, dec'd. Correspondence in reference to  
that business is requested.  
March 16, 1863-tf.

THO. E. BRAMLETTE.....E. L. VANWINKELE.

BRAMLETTE & VANWINKELE,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

WILL practice in the Court of Appeals and  
Federal Courts held in Kentucky.  
Office in MANSION HOUSE, nearly op-  
posite Commonwealth Printing Office.

E. L. & J. S. VANWINKELE  
Will practice in the Franklin, Anderson, Boyle,  
and adjacent Circuit Courts.  
Offices—FRANKFORT and DANVILLE.  
Sept. 14, 1863-tf.

J. M. GRAY,  
DENTAL SURGEON,  
Office and residence on Main between St. Clair and  
Leviev Streets.

FRANKFORT, KY.

ALL operations for the Extraction, Insertion,  
Regulation, and Preservation of the Teeth  
performed in a scientific and satisfactory manner.

He would ask the particular attention of those  
wanting artificial Teeth to his own improvement  
upon the Gold Rimmer Plate, which, for cleanliness,  
durability, and neatness, cannot be excelled.  
Specimens of all kinds of plate work may  
be seen at his office. Frankfort, April 22, 1863-tf.

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be seen at his office. Frankfort, April 22, 1863-tf.

W. CRAIK, J. F. C.

WEITZEL & BERBERICH,  
MERCHANT TAILORS,

WOULD respectfully inform the citizens of  
Frankfort and vicinity that they have  
opened a select stock of spring goods for  
Gentlemen's wear, which they will sell low for cash.

They will carry on the Tailoring business in all  
its branches, and will warrant their work give  
satisfaction, both as to its execution and the  
charge made for it. Terms cash.

Their business room is under Metropolitan  
Hall, and next door to the Postoffice.  
August 2, 1863-tf.

Proclamation by the Governor.

\$300 REWARD.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, it has been made known to me  
that JOHN TANNER was committed to the  
Garrard county jail, for the alleged murder  
of his wife, two children and sister-in-law, and  
for arson; he made his escape from jail on the 15th  
July, 1864, and is now a fugitive and going at  
large.

Now, therefore, I THOS. E. BRAMLETTE,  
Governor of the Commonwealth aforesaid, do  
hereby offer a reward of THREE HUNDRED  
DOLLARS (\$300) for the apprehension of the  
said John Tanner, and his delivery to the Jailer of  
Garrard county, within one year from the date  
hereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I  
have hereunto set my hand and caused  
the seal of the Commonwealth to be  
affixed. Done at Frankfort this 22d  
day of July, A. D., 1864, and in the  
76th year of the Commonwealth.

THOS. E. BRAMLETTE.

E. L. VANWINKELE, Secretary of State,

By Jas. R. PAGE, Assistant Secretary.

DESCRIPTION.

He is about 35 or 40 years old, 5 feet 6  
inches high, dark hair, rather pale complexion,  
weighs about 135 pounds, has a stoppage or  
stammering in his speech, articulates imperfectly,  
and in the habit of repeating the last words  
of every sentence. At first the impression is  
made that he is simple minded or foolish.

July 24, 1864-2m-54s.

NOTICE.

THERE was committed to the jail of Garrard  
county, a runaway slave calling himself  
HARLAND, who says he belongs to Clayton Carter,  
of Lincoln county. Said boy is of copper  
color, weighs about 150 pounds, about 30 or 35  
years of age.

The owner can come forward, prove property,  
and pay charges, or he will be dealt with as the  
law requires.

W.M. ROMANS, J. G. C.

June 27, 1864-336-Im.

WM. MARSHALL, J. B. C.

July 15, 1864-Im-344.

A. C. KEENON'S BOOK BINDERY.

The Falmouth Bridge Co., Plaintiffs, v.  
John W. Sanders and others, Defendants.

In pursuance to an order of the Pendleton  
Circuit Court, rendered at its April term, 1864, I  
as Commissioner, appointed in this case, offer  
for sale, at Public Auction, on the 1st Monday in  
August next, the County Court-day, on credits of  
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